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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Kaoru Nomichi et al.

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For: Gas Seal Structure

Examiner: G. Y. Lee

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated September 13, 2010, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the **Listing of Claims** which begins on page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.